Midd' ſſ. *Ad General' Quarteral' Seſſion' Pacis Dom' Regis & Dom' Reginæ, tent' pro Com' Midd' apud* Hicks's-Hall *in St.* John's-Street, *in Com' præd' Die* Lunæ, *ſcilicet Viceſſimo Septimo Die* Junii, *Anno* Regni *Dom' & Dom' noſtr'* Gulielmi & Mariæ, *Dei Gratia*, Ang. Scot. Fran. & Hib. *Regis & Reginæ, Fidei Defenſor'* &c. *Quarto*; *coram* Joh. *Dom'* Oſſulſton, Jacobo Mundy *Arm.* Ric. Bulkely *Bar'* Car. Lee *Mil'* Guil. Pritchard *Mil'* Jac. Smith *Mil'* Johanne Elwes *Mil'* Thoma Rowe *Mil'* Carolo Umfrevile *Mil'* Thoma Lane *Mil'* Thoma Owen, Samuele Buck, Thoma Johnſon, Jacobo Cardrow, Lancelot Johnſon, Craven Peyton, Andrea Lawrence, Johanne Pery, Maynard Colcheſter, Joſepho Offley, Johanne Herbert, Theophilo Eyton, Thoma Hariot, Thoma Smith, Thoma Hall, Radolpho Bucknal, Rogero Jennings, Nic. Grice, Henrico Hawley, Richardo Woodward, Richardo Shoreditch, Joh. Wilſon, Waltero Brydall, Richardo Milner, Gulielmo Alleſtree, Gulielmo Withers, Gulielmo Underhill, Georgio Bohun, Leonardo Hancock, Edwardo Chamblaine *LL. D.* Thoma Alſton, Johanne Duvall & Gideon Harvey *in Medicinis Doctore Arm. Juſtic' Dictorum Dom' Regis & Dom' Reginæ ad pacem in Com' præd. conſervand' nec non ad diverſ' Felon' Trangrſ & al' Malefact', in eodem Com' perpetrat' audiend' & terminand' aſſign.* &c.

WHEREAS their Majeſties, both by their ſeveral Letters and Proclamations, have from time to time been graciouſly pleaſed to declare their earneſt deſire, That all the Laws againſt Vice and Prophaneſs be duly Executed, and have expreſly Commanded us Their Majeſties Juſtices of the Peace of this County, to take the moſt effectual Care for the due Execution thereof: And whereas this Court in purſuance of Their Majeſties Commands, have by their Order, bearing date the Tenth Day of *July* laſt, Commanded all High Conſtables, Petty Conſtables, Headburoughs, Church-Wardens and other Officers within this County, to Uſe their utmoſt Diligence, for bringing to condign Puniſhment all the Offenders againſt the ſaid Laws, which upon the Oaths of divers credible Witneſſes (as we are informed) hath through the diligence of the Officers, in divers parts of this County had this good effect, that many Houſes of diſorderly Tipling, Debauchery and Gaming have been ſuppreſſed, and very great Numbers of Bawds, Whores, and other Lewd Perſons, prophane Swearers, Curſers, Drunkards, and Prophaners of the Lords day, have been Convicted and Puniſhed according to Law; Yet notwithſtanding in ſome other parts of this County, through the Negligence, Connivance and Evil Practices of the Conſtables, Headburoughs, Church-Wardens and other inferiour Officers of ſuch Places; the Offences aforeſaid have received great incouragement, and ſuch Lewd Offenders as had been ſo ſuppreſſed, have been yet received and permitted there to continue ſuch their Lewd Practices. This COURT therefore taking the ſame into their ſerious conſideration, and being ſtedfaſt in their Reſolutions, effectually to carry on a Reformation of manners by the due puniſhment of the ſeveral Offences aforeſaid, in all parts of this County, the ſame being a Work acceptable to Almighty God; and ſo earneſtly and piouſly recommended by Their Majeſties, Doth Order and ſtrictly Require, all High Conſtables, Petty Conſtables, Headburoughs, Church-Wardens, and all other Officers, to be diligent in making more frequent ſearches after ſuch as keep Houſes of diſorderly Tipling, Debauchery and Gaming, and ſuch as haunt the ſame, and of the ſaid Offenders, and of all prophane Swearers, Curſers, Drunkards, and Prophaners of the Lords Day, and to give due Information thereof, from time to time, to ſome One of Their Majeſties Juſtices of the Peace of this County, That no Partiality, Connivance, or underhand Practices, by private Notice to Offenders, or any other ways, by ſuch Officers may prevent the Conviction, or Detection of them, but that the ſeveral Offenders may be puniſhed, according to Law; And whereas the publick Sports, and playing of Boys, and others, on the Lords Day, in Church-yards and elſewhere, is a great Contempt to the Worſhip of God, and tends to the Corruption of Youth; The ſaid Officers are therefore hereby Ordered, and Required to take notice on the ſaid days, of ſuch diſorders, and to diſperſe ſuch Prophaners of the Lords day, or to apprehend them, and to bring them before One of Their Majeſties Juſtices of the Peace for this County; that they may be proceeded againſt according to Law; And we being reſolved to proceed with all due ſtrictneſs againſt all ſuch Officers as ſhall be found faulty in the due obſervance of this our Order, do recommend it to all perſons who ſhall at any time hereafter have knowledge of any of the Offences aforeſaid, or of any neglect or undue Practice of any Officers aforeſaid, whereby the Conviction or Puniſhment of any of the ſaid Offences ſhall be hindered, or avoided, that they will give timely Information thereof, to ſome One of Their Majeſties Juſtices of the Peace of the ſaid County, from whom they ſhall receive all due Incouragement; And whereas the keeping of Houſes of late practiſed in ſeveral publick Taverns and Ale-Houſes within this County, to which there is a great Reſort of Idle and Diſſolute Perſons, is of very ill Conſquence, and tends to the Debauching and Ruin, eſpecially of the younger ſort of people, of both Sexes, and doth alſo occaſion many Quarrels and Riots, to the great diſturbance of the publick Peace. It is hereby further Ordered, that the ſeveral Officers aforeſaid, do make a due Return to ſome Juſtice of the Peace in their reſpective Diviſion of the Chriſtian Name, Sirname, and Place of abode, of all Perſons keeping the ſaid Muſick Houſes, and of ſuch as frequent the ſame, to the end they may be proſecuted according to Law; And it is further Ordered by this Court, that the Clerk of the Peace for this County, do forthwith cauſe this Order to be Printed and Affixed upon the great Gates of *Hicks's-Hall*, the Church Doors, and all other Publick Places of each Pariſh within this County, and diſtributed to the ſeveral High-Conſtables within this County, who are Ordered by this Court forthwith to ſend the ſame to the ſeveral Petty Conſtables, Church-Wardens and Headburoughs within their ſeveral Diviſions, to the end Publick Notice may be taken thereof.

per Cur'

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